

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Mr. J. H. Alexander, Jr. was a visitor in Raleigh yesterday.

Miss Mary Woodward, of Norfolk, is visiting Mrs. Henry Gray.

Several cases of measles are reported in town among young children.

Mrs. Mary Tillery left for Rocky Mount to visit her aunt, Mrs. Arrington.

Mr. J. H. Alexander, Jr., returned this morning from a business trip to Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Andrews of Tarboro, spent Wednesday in town visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. R. J. Madry left yesterday afternoon for Couter on business and will return this evening.

Mrs. Henry White and Miss Ida Bailey, of Hobgood, spent yesterday as guest of Mrs. Henry Gray.

Mr. J. Baron has gone north to purchase his spring stock of goods and is expected back next week.

Mr. J. E. Dees of Greenville, was a visitor in town Wednesday on business and left on the evening train.

Mr. N. A. Riddick returned this morning from a week's trip through the eastern part of the state.

Yesterday being Washington's birth day the banks and postoffice were closed, the latter only distributing the mail in the boxes.

Mr. Ernest Bellamy, of Enfield, representing the Texas Oil Company was in town yesterday attending to the company's business.

Dr. O. F. Smith left for Durham Wednesday to be present at the meeting of the North Carolina-Virginia Medical Association now in session in that city.

Mr. B. F. Weaver and his force of linemen went out on the Enfield road about five miles, near to Mr. Barnes' place to fix up some trouble with the rural line.

Mr. N. E. Winslow unloaded a carload of fine looking mules yesterday, and they arrived at the right moment for there is a keen demand for a good grade of mule just now.

Mr. W. M. Dixon, returning from Washington, D. C., to his home at Morehead City, N. C. spent Monday and Monday night here with relatives Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Allbrook.

The Texas Oil Company, which owns a lot on the railroad has made plans to erect an 18,000 oil tank in the early spring, the work to commence as soon as the weather permits.

Mr. C. E. Hayes, of Richmond, Va., representing the Corley Company, is in town and will be here for a few weeks demonstrating some high grade pianos at W. T. Hancock's store.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jackson and baby left on Wednesday morning train for Enfield where Mrs. Jackson will spend some time with her mother. Mr. Jackson returned on the night train.

N. A. Riddick has unloaded three cars of Saxons here during the past week, one car being the four cylinder Roadsters that they advertised as a special offer for Pay Up Week at less than factory cost.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Paul Kitchen, and family have taken up residence at the brick hotel pending the completion of their new home in Clarksville, Mr. Kitchen having sold the house he has been living in.

MISS GERTRUDE WHITEHEAD HOSTESS

Thursday afternoon Miss Gertrude Whitehead was hostess to the Sewing Club from 3:30 to 6 o'clock.

The guests were received by the hostess and invited into the living room, which was attractive with potted plants and early spring flowers.

The birthday of "The Master of Our Country," it was a George Washington party, everything being a reminder of the great man, and well, indeed, was it planned and carried out.

Sometime was spent in sewing and conversation, and enjoying delightful music, then the hostess passed around post cards in the national colors with bits of verse or prose applicable to the life and character of Washington. Everybody was asked to see how many words could be made from the name "George Washington," and at the end of five minutes Misses Helen Hilliard and Mattie Josey had forty five each,

in drawing for the prize, an attractive box of crystalized cherries, Miss Mattie Josey was the lucky winner. A unique feature of the club meeting was a shower of dainty attractive and useful gifts for the first club baby, Miss Kate Mills Suiter. The shower was brought in, in a box made of two very large American flag, the handles of which were crossed forming a three cornered bag. This was so odd and original that it brought forth much admiration from everyone.

A George Washington baby book decorated with a picture of the great man between the flags, was then passed around and everybody wrote a wish for the dear little lady. These when read aloud were very much enjoyed.

An elegant salad course was then served with coffee and cream the napkins still further carrying out the spirit of the occasion.

The hostess gave each guest lovely favors, some being hatchets, in red white and blue, others were stumps, with part of the broken tree and with a bunch of cherries hanging on, while the rest had a little George Washington figure on them. All were filled with salted nuts.

No more attractive party has ever been given and the charming informality of the afternoon added much to the pleasure of the guests.

The hostess was assisted in serving by Mrs. Harry Lee McDowell and Miss Irene Whitehead.

Those present were: Mesdames S. A. Dunn, S. C. Pegram, J. E. Woolard, Kathleen Kelley, J. E. Fowers, H. L. McDowell, Hinton Dunn, R. C. Josey, Jr., and Aubrey McDaniel. Misses Helen Hilliard, Mattie Josey, Lucile Kitchen, Lillian Harrell and Mildred Edwards.

THE W & W SOCIAL

A most enjoyable meeting of the W. & W's of the Scotland Neck Methodist Episcopal church was held Tuesday evening with Mrs. R. D. Jenkins. The lively guests chattered gayly until all arrived, and then Mrs. Sam Pegram, President of the Organization, presided at the meeting. After the usual devotional exercises and regular routine business was gone through with Mrs. Pegram turned the meeting over to the hostess. Mrs. R. D. Jenkins then arranged for a tooth pick game, which was greatly enjoyed by all participating.

Before the end of the evening's pleasures delicious refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Miss Millie Miller, after which the guests lingered to further enjoy Mrs. Jenkins gracious hospitality. The meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening, March 6th., with Mrs. Kate S. Dunn.

MRS. B. M. BOWER BUYS COUNTRY CLUB

Among the prominent owners of Overland Country Club cars, the popular sport model made by The WILLYS-OVERLAND Company is Mrs. B. M. Bower, of Quincy, Cal. Mrs. Bower is well known as the author of such Western stories as "The Chip of the Flying U," "The Prairie Princess" and other books.

Mrs. Bower expects to leave her magnificent country home near Quincy early in the spring, and make a transcontinental tour in her new Overland Country Club, in search of material for a new book.

MISS BOYETTE ENTERTAINED

Miss Kate Boyette delightfully entertained the embroidery club Thursday afternoon at her home on Church St.

During the afternoon delicious refreshments were served, and quite a pleasant time was enjoyed by the club members and several invited guests.

SEWING CLUB ENTERTAINED

Mrs. E. M. Tillery was at home to the Tuesday afternoon sewing club from 3:30 to 5:30 o'clock.

In spite of the inclemency of the weather quite a number came to enjoy the pleasant afternoon with the hostess.

After sometime spent in fancy work of various kinds and colors a dainty sweet course was served, then coffee and wafers.

Mrs. Tillery was assisted in serving by Mrs. Kathleen Kelly, Misses Mary Shields and Virginia Tillery.

Those present were: Mesdames W. O. McDowell, T. B. Wheeler, George Bryan, E. E. Hilliard, S. C. Pegram and Paul Tillery.

BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. J. B. Hall charmingly entertained the Bridge Club afternoon from 3:30 to 6 o'clock.

There were five tables and a very pleasant afternoon was spent with the always interesting game of auction.

At the conclusion a tempting salad course with coffee was served.

The club members and invited guests were: Mesdames T. D. Kitchen, A. P. Kitchen, G. S. White, B. W. Martin, Henry T. Clark, J. B. Flaughter, H. I. Clark, C. H. Herring, R. F. Coleman, Norfleet Smith, C. W. Albertson, E. W. Hall and C. W. Dickinson. Misses Susie Hill, Mattie Josey, M. W. Smith, Eleanor Smith, Laura Clark, Emma Bauch-knight of South Carolina, and Miss Smith of Baltimore.

LENTEN SERVICE

The service at Trinity Church will be held tonight at eight o'clock, which is only for tonight. 5 p. m. is the hour for the balance of the lenten season will be the time for the Friday evening service.

The mid-week service will be held on Wednesday night of each week at eight o'clock, and the Auxiliary meeting will be held each week at one of the members houses on Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock.

FORD ISSUES NOTICE

In view of the shortage of cars this summer 320,817 having been disposed of since August 1st, 1916, the company has issued a notice to all prospective buyers of Ford Cars to place their orders with the local agents, The Scotland Neck Motor Company, and get immediate delivery, as it may likely be that when the spring rush comes those that want cars will have to wait for them until delivery can be made, which may then take some months.

Thomas Dixon's "Fall of a Nation," at Palace March 6th, and 7th. Reserve your seats in advance. Matinees at 3 o'clock both days and only one show at night.

LOCAL FIRE AND LIFE INSURANCE EXCEEDS TWO MILLION DOLLARS

In discussing the amount of fire and life insurance protection carried by citizens of Scotland Neck, Mr. Norfleet Smith, of the firm of Alexander and Smith, stated to a reporter, that the amount of fire insurance carried in the town was in excess of one and a half million dollars, of which a large part was carried in the companies represented by his firm.

"So far as life insurance is concerned," said Mr. Smith "there is considerably over half a million dollars on the lives of men of Scotland Neck of which my company has insured in the neighborhood of \$300,000.

"This does not of course, include the outlying districts, nor adjacent towns covered from this point, but is just a statement of the volume of fire and life insurance in the town of Scotland Neck alone."

NEW THEATRE Monday, February 26th.

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HUMAN HEARTS

"Human Hearts," the "Tale" of the Arkansas Hills will be produced at Madry's Opera House on Monday night February 26.

Like Shore Acres and the Old Homestead, time only increases its hold upon the people. The prattle of the innocent child, the tears of the blind mother the strong love of a simple country girl the passion of an adventuress, the tuth of a half wit, the love of an old negro and the tender memory of a dead mother of the past Governor of Arkansas, are all cleverly intermingled by the deft hand of the author of the absorbing tale of the Arkansas Hills. Each succeeding season of this thrilling play's annually increasing business, has induced the management to engage for this season's production one of the strongest companies ever organized to present it. To the lovers of a good play, not one of the list of this season will appeal more strongly than "Human Hearts." The tickets are now on sale at E. T. Whitehead Company's drug store.

"The Secret Kingdom" the best serial ever produced begins at the Palace next Monday.

NOTICE

NORTH CAROLINA

HALIFAX COUNTY

In the Superior Court March Term, 1917.

W. T. Burton and Walter Burton, co-partners trading as Burton Bros., Auction Co.; The Southern Auction & Development Co.; and the National Auction Co.

NOTICE

VS.

Mrs. M. A. Sharpe, S. A. Dunn, Trustee, Stewart Smith, Trustee, C. C. Josey, Trustee, N. B. Josey and C. E. Exum.

The defendant, C. E. Exum will take notice that the above entitled civil action has been instituted in the Superior Court of Halifax county for the purpose of foreclosing certain mortgages held upon certain lands located in the county of Halifax, State of North Carolina, upon which lands the said defendant holds a mortgage which is recorded in book 373, at Page 355 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Halifax county; and said defendant will further take notice that he is required to be and appear at the next term of the Superior Court of Halifax County, North Carolina, to be held in the Court House in Halifax on the second Monday after the first Monday of March, 1917, it being the 19th, day of March, 1917, then and there to answer the complaint which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Halifax County, demur thereto or otherwise plead, otherwise judgment will be rendered in accordance with the order contained in the complaint.

S. M. GARY,

Clerk of the Superior Court.
H. G. Connor, Jr.,
T. R. Uzzell, Attys.,
Wilson, N. C.
2-27-17.

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